



Elizabeth "Liz" Heilke

May 8, 1954 - November 6, 2025

Elizabeth "Liz" Heilke, 71, of Lake Ozark, MO, formerly of Manito, peacefully passed away on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at Snyder Village in Metamora. She was born in Springfield on May 8, 1954, to John and Betty (Sexton) Shinn. She married Hans Heilke on November 9, 1974, in Kickapoo, and they enjoyed nearly 49 years of marriage until he passed on August 27, 2023. She is survived by her daughter, Dawn (Ron) Ehlers of East Peoria; and two sisters, Mary Ann (Mike) Whalen of St. Louis and Pat (Ken) Martinson of Minnetonka, MN.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, John and Jim.

Liz devoted forty years to a career in banking before retiring from South Side Bank. Following her retirement, she and Hans moved to their dream home at Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, in 2019.

She loved her dog, Lulu. She also loved to read and spend time with friends and family.

The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2025, at Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria, with a Memorial Service, honoring both Liz and Hans, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Father David Kipfer will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV **14**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc. - East Peoria
444 E. Washington Street
East Peoria, IL 61611

Memorial Service

NOV **14**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Heilke



Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services - November 17, 2025 at 12:05 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Heilke.



November 11, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ Tammy & Dave Matranga purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Heilke.



Tammy & Dave Matranga - November 11, 2025 at 11:08 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Life Tributes



Tina - November 10, 2025 at 09:33 AM



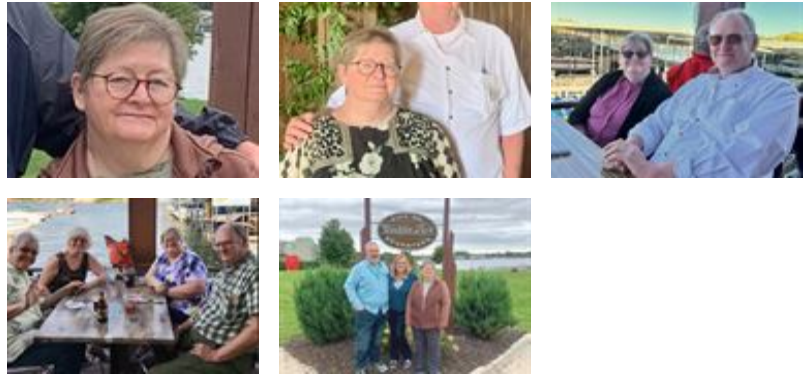
“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tina - November 10, 2025 at 09:27 AM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services - November 09, 2025 at 05:14 PM